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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION**

**ACCREDITATION AND APPROVAL OF SGS NORTH AMERICA, INC., AS A
COMMERCIAL GAUGER AND LABORATORY**

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

ACTION: Notice of accreditation and approval of SGS North America, Inc., as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that SGS North America, Inc., has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of June 17, 2015.

DATES: Effective dates: The accreditation and approval of SGS North America, Inc., as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on June 17, 2015. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for June 2018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Approved Gauger and Accredited Laboratories Manager, Laboratories and Scientific Services Directorate, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, tel. 202-344-1060.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, that SGS North America, Inc., 151 James Drive West, St. Rose, LA 70087, has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. SGS North America, Inc., is approved for the following gauging procedures for petroleum and certain petroleum products set forth by the American Petroleum Institute (API):

| API Chapters | Title |
|---------------------|---------------------------|
| 3 | Tank gauging |
| 7 | Temperature Determination |
| 8 | Sampling |
| 9 | Density Determination |
| 12 | Calculations |
| 17 | Maritime Measurements |

SGS North America, Inc., is accredited for the following laboratory analysis procedures and methods for petroleum and certain petroleum products set forth by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Laboratory Methods (CBPL) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM):

| CBPL No. | ASTM | Title |
|-----------------|-------------|--|
| 27-01 | ASTM D-287 | Standard test method for API Gravity of crude petroleum products and petroleum products (Hydrometer Method) |
| 27-03 | ASTM D-4006 | Standard test method for water in crude oil by distillation |
| 27-04 | ASTM D-95 | Standard test method for water in petroleum products and bituminous materials by distillation |
| 27-05 | ASTM D-4928 | Standard Test Method for Water in Crude Oils by Coulometric Karl Fischer Titration |
| 27-06 | ASTM D-473 | Standard test method for sediment in crude oils and fuel oils by the extraction method |
| 27-08 | ASTM D-86 | Standard Test Method for Distillation of Petroleum Products |
| 27-13 | ASTM D-4294 | Standard test method for sulfur in petroleum and petroleum products by energy-dispersive x-ray fluorescence spectrometry |
| 27-14 | ASTM D-2622 | Standard test method for Sulfur in Petroleum Products (X-Ray spectrographic methods). |
| 27-46 | ASTM D-5002 | Standard Test Method for Density and Relative Density of Crude Oils by Digital Density Analyzer |
| 27-48 | ASTM D-4052 | Standard test method for density and relative density of liquids by digital density meter |
| 27-53 | ASTM D-2709 | Standard test method for water and sediment in middle distillate by the centrifuge method. |
| 27-58 | ASTM D-5191 | Standard Test Method For Vapor Pressure of Petroleum Products (Mini Method) |

Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should

request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquiries regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to cbp.labhq@dhs.gov. Please reference the website listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

<http://www.cbp.gov/about/labs-scientific/commercial-gaugers-and-laboratories>

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